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Ahead of the Headlines

HONG KONG — Not four, but five, U.S. citizens are in Red Chinese jails. So far, all that is known about the fifth man is his name, Robert Howden, and that he probably lived in Australia before going to China. Unanswered is when Howden went to China and why he is in jail. The other Americans behind Bamboo Curtain bars, all on espionage charges: John Downey, a U.S. Army civilian employee, and importer Hugh Redmond Jr., in for life; Richard Fecteau, another Army worker, and Roman Catholic Bishop James Walsh, serving twenty-year sentences.

LONDON — Prime Minister Macmillan is acting as unflappable as ever. He now plans a trip to the U.N. this fall, to deliver a new disarmament plea from the General Assembly rostrum. His hope, according to insiders, is to crown the New York visit with a Khrushchev-Kennedy-Macmillan summit meeting.

UNITED NATIONS — Pope Paul VI and U.N. Secretary-General U Thant will take up a delicate matter of peace-making when they meet this week in Rome. U Thant, a Buddhist, would like the Pope to intercede with South Vietnam's Roman Catholic President Ngo Dinh Diem to get better treatment for the embattled Vietnamese Buddhists.

CHICAGO — Ebony, the Negro monthly, may soon broaden its horizons. Editor and publisher John H. Johnson is considering a move overseas, with perhaps a European edition and one (partly in French, partly in English) for Africa.

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they turn out: Marine Maj. Gen. Victor H. Krulak, head of counterinsurgency for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

BAGHDAD — Moscow's support for the Kurdish rebels in Iraq may have boomeranged. The Iraqi Government promptly renewed trade pacts with Communist China and its anti-Soviet ally, Albania. Baghdad also threatens to expel the hundreds of Soviet technicians now in Iraq.

World Wire

SOFIA — It's not exactly "The Establishment," or "Second City," but it's political satire of a sort — for Iron Curtain audiences. The heavy-handed curtain-raiser of one Bulgarian revue: "We are going to have a lot of fun here tonight talking about things we all feel bad about. But before we all start laughing, look at the person on your right and on your left and be sure he isn't a state security agent."

EMBASSY ROW — The U.S. and Canada may be asked to help rule strife-torn British Guiana. U.S. officials have suggested to the British that London might have to resume direct rule of the colony. The word in Whitehall is that Prime Minister Harold Macmillan is ready to agree — but wants Washington and Ottawa to share the cost and responsibility.

SAN JUAN — James Hoffa's Teamsters are putting their staying power to the test in Puerto Rico. They already have dropped \$1,750,000 on organizing drives here and are still spending. So far, all they have to show for this effort is 3,000 members. (The rival Seafarers International claims 15,000.)

MIAMI — The latest U.S. intelligence tally on Fidel Castro's air arm: more than 100 MIG's, 42 of them equipped with heat-seeking air-to-air missiles.

EMBASSY ROW — The U.S. and Pakistan are engaged in aerial warfare on the diplomatic front. Despite strong protests from Washington, Pakistan wants to go ahead with plans to route its airliners through Red China to Tokyo. The U.S., in turn, threatens to cut off the sup-

Intelligence File

UNITED NATIONS — One angle puzzles the experts about Ivan Egorov, that Russian U.N. official just arrested for espionage (page 21). Why was such a high-ranking agent — he is believed to be a colonel — risking such chores as making personal pickups of spy "drops"? Best guess: Russians working for the U.N. can move freely around the U.S. Others in the country are tightly restricted by the State Department.

PENTAGON — Graduates of Soviet-run Cuban spy schools are really only semi-secret agents. U.S. and Latin American intelligence agencies have compiled dossiers, complete with photo-